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## "HADASAUROUS FOULKII"

### ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT DINNER

Thursday, March 20, 1986  
at Tavistock Country Club  
Gathering: 6:30 p.m.  
Dinner: 7:00 p.m.  
Cost: \$16.00 per person  
(Make checks payable to The  
Historical Society of Haddonfield)

Send reservations to:  
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30 Evergreen Avenue  
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(Prior to March 6, call 429-3117)  
DEADLINE: March 16, 1986

### PROGRAM

The rather unusual creature pictured should provide an excellent clue as to the program being planned for the Candlelight Dinner. The speaker will be Dr. Michael Weilberger, who is associated with the Education Department of the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia. Mike brings a wealth of knowledge about "Hadasaurpis Foulkii", our own Haddonfield dinosaur whose fossil remains were discovered in a marl pit near the end of Narberth Avenue and which are continued



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Early in this New Year. it is time to take both a look back on the end of this past year and a look into the present year. December was a festive month at the Historical Society, beginning with the Christmas Bazaar. This was, as always, successfully and competently run by the Women's Committee. During the week following the Bazaar, the Haddonfield Garden Club transformed Greenfield Hall with its lovely and artistic decorations in preparation for "Christmas at the Indian King and Greenfield Hall." This event, a joint venture with the Haddonfield Preservation Society, was a great success; the entire afternoon was pleasantly busy, as we welcomed many members and numerous guests through our building.

Looking into this year 1986, I hope the membership will be active and participate in a number of upcoming events. I urge you to mark your calendars for the final two "Romancing the King" programs, which concern Haddonfield's most noted landmark, the Indian King Tavern. The dates are Saturday, March 15, which will deal with Historical Archaeology and Saturday, April 19, which is on Social History. Both programs run from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and will be held at the Indian King. The Historical Society has been proud to be one of the co-sponsors of the interesting lectures.

I also urge the membership to attend the annual Historical Society dinner on March 20. First Vice-President Mary Carll has arranged for a wonderful evening--see the article in this issue for all the details.

Finally, I look forward to some of the results of the Long Range Planning Committee's work in the near future. The Committee has been hard at work over the past few months, especially Chairman, Joe Hartel. We hope to present some of the conclusions of the study to the membership at the May 15 general meeting. More details will follow with the next newsletter.

Douglas B. Rauschenberger  
President

### Program(continued)

the most complete skeletal bones uncovered anywhere in the world. The Academy is presently staging an exhibition of dinosaurs and "Haddy" is prominent among them. His talk will not only bring information on our own dinosaur but will cover other of the prehistoric creatures who inhabited the South Jersey area one hundred million years ago. It promises to be an interesting evening and one not to be missed. We would welcome not only our own members but any interested friends and ask that you get reservations in as early as possible.

RESERVATION DEADLINE: March 16, 1986.

Mary Carll  
Program Chairman

## ANNUAL BIRTHDAY TEA



Date: Sunday-April 13  
(Note change in date)

Place: Greenfield Hall  
Time: 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Admission: Contribution  
of an article to be used  
at the Fall Auction or  
a donation of \$3.00.

Do join us and enjoy the Hot Spiced Tea, Sandwiches and Cookies.

The Women's Committee is happy to announce the net profit of the Annual Christmas Bazaar was \$1717.14, an increase of \$166.72 over last year. We particularly appreciated the response of the membership in donating the baked goods. As usual the goodies sold well. Thank you everyone who made this affair such a success.

The members of the Women's Committee voted to: 1) frame the remaining Samplers in loving memory of Alice Wood and Martha Goettelmann and; 2) to redecorate the first floor of Greenfield Hall. It is hoped the redecorating will be underway before the next meeting. What a great way to spruce up for Spring!

See you at the Dinner in March and the Tea in April.

Dorothy Sherred  
Chairman

## ECHOES OF THE PAST

### THE JORDAN HOUSE

Do you have a China plate, saucer, pitcher or wash bowl with a picture of the Jordan house on it? These items, made in the 1800s, are much in demand by collectors. They bear the imprint "J.H. & Co." or "Joseph Heath and Co.", an English manufacturer.

The theme was the Jordan house of Camden. The frame house was originally built in 1795 by Joseph Kaighn, grandson of the first settler, and occupied by he and his wife until 1797.

Richard Jordan, a Quaker preacher from Hartford, Connecticut born in 1756, then moved into the home with his wife Pharaby, who was born in 1753. It was at this time that the house was used for a pattern for the china.

Richard Jordan died in 1826; his wife died a year earlier in 1825.

Betty Lyons  
Research and Publication

"DR. RUSH'S DIRECTIONS"(conclusion)

At the time that this prescription was written, Benjamin Rush was in his late fifties and at a relatively serene period in what had been a very turbulent life. Benjamin Rush wrote voluminously throughout his life and had strong opinions on many subjects. He was in favor of independence for the colonies in 1775 and was a delegate to the Continental Congress for Pennsylvania. He was also a proponent of some less popular causes during his life time such as education and equality for women, the abolition of slavery, fair treatment of the Indians, and the abolition of capital punishment and of the penal system in general.

Unfortunately we do not know whether this prescription was written for a resident of Haddonfield who had gone to Philadelphia to consult with the famous Dr. Rush or whether it came to Haddonfield later with a family which moved to this area later bringing the prescription with family papers. It is a mark of the fame of the man, however, that the prescription should have been so treasured as to have always been retained, eventually being donated to the Society.

Kathy Tassini  
Librarian

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